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Honey Production
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes any scheme to promote honey production in various hilly States of the country including Jammu and Kashmir, Himachal Pradesh and Uttarakhand in view of its medicinal benefits;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the Government is likely to launch any special scheme for these States in near future, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a) to (c): No, Madam. However, it is mentioned that in view of the tremendous scope for increasing productivity due to cross pollination and increase in income through beekeeping, a component of "Pollination Support through Beekeeping" was incorporated in the Missions launched by the Department of Agriculture, Cooperation and Farmers Welfare (DAC& FW) for Integrated Development of Horticulture, viz.; National Horticulture Mission (NHM), Technology Mission for North Eastern States (TMNE)/Horticulture Mission for Development Horticulture in North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH).

Presently, Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH), by merging NHM & HMNEH Schemes has been in implementation in all parts of the country including hilly States. Under MIDH, among others, assistance for promoting Scientific Beekeeping under the component of "Pollination Support through Beekeeping" is available.

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